

(b) weight menthol lactate, the menthol/menthyl lactate ratio lying in the range from about 1/3 to about 1/10, and being such that the odor of the menthol is barely perceptible, said composition not being irritating, in particular for the sensitive parts of the human body.

2. (Amended) A composition according to claim 1, [characterized in that the] said menthol/menthyl lactate ratio lies in the range from about 1/6 to about 1/4[, and is preferably about 1/5].

3. (Amended) A composition according to claim 1 [or 2, characterized in that it] wherein said composition comprises from about 0.01% to about 0.5% by weight of menthol and from about 0.25% to about 1% by weight of menthyl lactate[, preferably 0.08% to 0.12% by weight of menthol and 0.45% to 0.55% by weight o fmenthyl lactate].

4. (Amended) A composition according to [any one of] claim[s] 1 [to 3, characterized in that it further includes] further comprising at least one fragrance, in particular the "glacier SG 809A" fragrance, at a concentration lying in the range from about 0.5% to about 5% by weight.

5. (Amended) A composition according to [any one of] claim[s] 1 to] 4, [characterized in that it] said composition further [comprises] comprising at least one surface active agent selected from anionic surface active agents, [preferably sodium cocoyl isethionate,] at a concentration [lying in the range] from about 1% to about 10% by weight.

6. (Amended) A composition according to claim 5, [characterized in that it further comprises] said composition further comprising at least one thickening agent selected [in particular from] selected from the group consisting of xanthan gums[,] and carboromers[, preferably hydroxypropyl methylcellulose,] at a concentration [lying in the range] from about 0.2% to about 10% by weight.

7. (Amended) A composition according to claim 5 [or 6, characterized in that it] wherein said composition further comprises at least one conditioning polymer.

8. (Amended) A composition according to [any one of claims] claim 5 [to 7], [characterized in that it further comprises] said composition further comprising a lustering agent, [preferably] said lustering agent selected from the group consisting of sodium laureth sulfate, glycol distearate and a mixture of sodium laurreth sulfate and of glycol distearate, at a concentration [lying in the range] from about 0.1% to about 1% by weight.

9. (Amended) A composition according to claim 5 [any one of claims 5 to 8, characterized in that it further comprises] said composition further comprising [a foaming agent, preferably] lauryl betaine, at a concentration [lying in the range] from about 1% to about 10% by weight.

10. (Amended) A composition according to claim 5 [any one of claims 5 to 9, characterized in that it further comprises an association of] said composition further comprising surface active agents [such as] selected from the group consisting of sodium laureth sulfate, ammonium laureth sulfate[,] and lauryl glucoside and mixtures thereof, such that the total concentration in surface active agent in the composition [lies in the range is from about 5% to about 30%, and preferably in the range 15% to 25%,] by weight.

11. (Amended) A composition according to [any one of] claim[s] 5 [to 10, characterized in that it further comprises] wherein said composition further comprises at least one hydrating agent, in particular glycerol and/or polyethylene gel^{9/100}, at a concentration lying in the range 1% to 20% by weight.

12. (Amended) A composition according to [any one of] claim[s] 5 [to 11, characterized in that it] said composition further [comprises] comprising at least one buffer, a dye, an anti-oxidant, and/or a preservative.

13. (Amended) A composition according to [any one of] claim[s] 5 [to 12], adapted for use as a shower gel.

14. (Amended) A composition according to [any one of] claim[s] 5 [to 13, characterized in that it comprises] comprising the following compounds in percentage by weight:

- Water	62.92%
- Sodium laurreth sulfate	12%
- Hydroxypropyl methylcellulose	0.5%
- Sodium cocoyl isethionate	7%
- Ammonium lauryl sulfate	3%
- Lauryl glucoside	1%
- Lauryl betaine	4%
- Polyquaternium-10	5%
- Polyethylene glycol (PEG)	2%
- Preservative(s)	0.5%
- Fragrance	1.5%
- Menthyl lactate	0.5%
- Menthol	0.08%

15. (Amended) A method of [The use of the composition according to any one of claims 1 to 14, as a bathing product, in particular as a two-in-one product for] simultaneously cleansing and freshening the skin comprising applying a composition according to claim 1 to the skin.

16. (Amended) A method [use] according to claim 15 wherein said composition is used as a shower gel.

17. (Amended) A method [use] accordoing to claim 15 wherein said composition is used as a foaming gel for the face.

REMARKS

This Supplemental Amendment is respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action rendered March 24, 2001. It reflects the marked-up claims corresponding to the amendments submitted in applicants' Amendment filed April 18, 2001.